Complaints of Excess Billing

1120. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 2949 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th August, 1987 and state :

(a) the number of complaints of excessive billing received during the period from June to October, 1987 by the Telecom Authorities, State-wise;

(b) the increase or decrease if any in these complaints as compared to years 1985-86 and 1986-87; and

(c) the remedial measures taken by Government in this regard and the action taken against those responsible for excessive billing ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) (for SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV) : (a) to (c) The information has been called for from all the units throughout the country and will be laid on the Table of the House as early as possible.

[illegible] Research

1121. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of post doctoral fellowships sanctioned by the Indian Council of Historical Research during the last three years.

(b) the [illegible] taken by the Council in sanctioning fellowships;

(c) the titles of the post doctoral research projects approved by the Council;

(d) the names of the experts who approved these projects and the time taken by them in sending their reports; and

(e) the period of appointment of these experts ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) 130 post doctoral fellowships were approved by the Indian Council of Historical Research during the period 1984-85 to 1986-87.

(b) It takes normally three to four months for the Council to take a view on a research fellowship proposal.

(c) The information is given in the statement attached. [*See* Appendix CXIIV Annexure No. 43].

(d) and (e) Each individual research proposal is referred to two experts appointed for the purpose depending upon the nature and subject matter of the research proposal. The experts are required to submit their evaluation reports within one month.

Players employed by Railways

1122. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the names of outstanding players and sportsmen employed by the Railways during the last three years; and

(b) the promotional avenues of such employees and how many of them have been given promotions so far ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) A list of the outstanding sportspersons recruited during the last 3 years is given in the enclosed statement (*See* below).

(b) Provisions exist for out of turn promotion to such outstanding sportspersons who have rendered 3 years of service and have represented the country in international contests or acquitted themselves creditably in the National Championships on 3 occasions. The information in regard to those promoted on out of turn basis is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.